

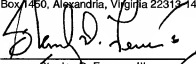
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Chaudhari et al.  
Serial No. : 10/042,827 Examiner : Qi Han  
Filed : January 4, 2002 Art Unit : 2626  
For : EFFICIENT RECURSIVE CLUSTERING BASED  
ON A SPLITTING FUNCTION DERIVED FROM  
SUCCESSIVE EIGEN-DECOMPOSITIONS

April 28, 2008

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as  
enclosed therewith are being filed with the Commissioner for Patents, P.O.  
Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, by EFS Web on April 28, 2008.

  
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April 28, 2008  
Date of Signature

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of one (1) month through and including April 28, 2008 (the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday or Sunday), to respond to the Office Action mailed on December 26, 2007. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

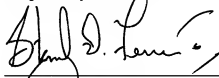
Applicant is other than a small entity and the extension fee required under 37

C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

		large entity	small entity
(X)	one month	\$120	\$60
( )	two months	\$460	\$230
( )	three months	\$1,050	\$525
( )	four months	\$1,640	\$820
( )	five months	\$2,230	\$1,115

Applicants are paying herewith by credit card the amount of \$120.00 to cover the extension of time fee for one (1) month. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the credit card by which this fee is being paid.

Respectfully submitted,



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